

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the two paragraphs beginning at page 1, line 4, with the following paragraphs, marked to show changes:

This application is a continuation-in-part of copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/707,430 filed November 6, 2000, entitled CONCENTRIC TUBULAR CENTRIFUGE; which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/298,272 filed April 23, 1999, entitled CONCENTRIC TUBULAR CENTRIFUGE, now U.S. Patent No. 6,142,924, which is in turn a continuation application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/950,377 filed October 14, 1997, entitled CONCENTRIC TUBULAR CENTRIFUGE, now U.S. Patent No. 5,944,648, which in turn claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/028,556, dated October 15, 1996. U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/707,430 is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

This application also claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/215,499, filed June 30, 2000, entitled CONCENTRIC TUBULAR CENTRIFUGE, which is also incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. This application also claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/195,686, filed April 7, 2000, entitled CENTRIFUGAL OXIDATION REACTOR, which is also incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.